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One of the Miniſters of Edinburgh.—Member of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, and of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

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WANTED to purchaſe, An ANNUITY of 100 l. Sterling, upon the Life of a perſon aged 48 years. The annuity to be paid half yearly. The money is ready.——Unqueſtionable ſecurity is expected.

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THE ſum of FIFTEEN HUNDRED POUNDS STERLING to be ſunk for an Annuity upon the life of a ſingle perſon, only on ſuch terms as may be agreed to by the parties.

Application for particulars may be made to John Gordon of Craig, Sheriff Clerk of Aberdeen ſhire, or Iſaac Grant writer to the ſignet.

BELFAST WHITE LINEN HALL.

WE the Committee for conducting the BELFAST WHITE LINEN HALL do hereby reſpectfully inform the Gentlemen of the Linen Trade in Great Britain, that the next Market for the Sale of Linens in our Hall, will commence on Monday the 24th of January next. From the large and general aſſortment of Linens, exhibited and ſold at our laſt Market, and the almoſt univerſal determination of the Linen Drapers in the north of Ireland, to attend with their Linens at the enſuing Market, a very extenſive ſupply of Linens of every denomination may now be certainly expected. BELFAST, December 1. 1784.

(Signed)

JOHN EWING — WADDELL CUNNINGHAM.
JOHN CAMPBELL & CO. — JOHN HOLMES.
ROBERT THOMSON. — WILLIAM & JOHN BROWN.

THE Committee of the Gentlemen of Leith, for obtaining redreſs of the grievances impoſed on them by the Good Town of Edinburgh, underſtanding that the tackſman of the Impoſt has wrote a circular letter to the private inhabitants of Leith, threatening to proſecute them if they do not pay or compound for Impoſt on the liquors conſumed in their families, which was never formerly exacted from any private families in Leith—give notice, That they have inſtructed their agent to try this matter, by declarator againſt the Good Town; and they hope that none of the inhabitants of Leith will ſubmit to this impoſition until the matter is finally determined.

FORTH AND CLYDE NAVIGATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, That a General Meeting of the Company of Proprietors of the ſaid Navigation is to be held in the Parliament houſe here, on the 1ſt (being the firſt Tueſday) of February 1785, at eleven o'clock forenoon, for the purpoſe of fixing and aſcertaining the tolls to be levied upon all or any part of goods paſſing upon the whole or any part of the ſaid navigation, under the powers given to the ſaid Company, by an act paſſed in the laſt ſeſſion of Parliament.

Firſt Notice—Second Term.

IN the Proceſs of Ranking and Sale, Meſſ. Caddells and Edington, merchants at Carron Park, againſt George Galdie merchant in Cromarty, and his Creditors, the Lord Swinton, Ordinary thereto, by Interlocutor of date 24th December 1784, aſſigned the 20th January next to the whole Creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences, competent to them againſt the Bankrupt or his eſtate, and that for the ſecond term; with certification, as in a reduction and improbation; and appointed this notice thereof, ſo as the ſame may come to the knowledge of all concerned.

C. H. CALLENDAR, Clerk

Third Notice—Firſt Term.

IN the proceſs of ranking and ſale, at the inſtance of John Johnſton of Murrayfield, late Provoſt of Annan, againſt Robert Halliday, only ſon and heir of Simon Halliday, ſometime ſhip-carpenter in Aberdeen, afterwards in Greenock, and Ann Gordon of Battlehill his ſpouſe, and their creditors; Lord Kennet, Ordinary, by an interlocutor, dated the 8th of December 1784, named Lord Monboddo, Ordinary of courſe, to rank the creditors, and aſſigned the 18th day of January next, for the Firſt term, to the whole creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences competent to them reſpectively, againſt the bankrupts or their eſtate; and ordained notice thereof to be inſerted in the Caledonian Mercury and Edinburgh Courant, once every week for three weeks ſucceſſively, that it might come to the knowledge of all concerned.

O. M. BRUCE, Clerk.

NOTICE

To the Creditors of WILLIAM NAIRN, Grocer in Edinburgh.

THAT a general meeting of the Creditors of the ſaid William Nairn, is to be held in John's Coffeehouſe, upon Thurſday the 3d day of March 1785, at 12 o'clock noon, to give ſuch orders as may appear neceſſary for the future management of the ſaid William Nairn's eſtate, and to receive their firſt dividends thereof.

JAMES MUNRO, Writer, Edinburgh, Truſtee

FOR CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA,

The Ship NORTH CAROLINA,

NEIL M'NEELL Maſter;

AND

For Wilmington, NORTH CAROLINA,

The Brigantine PITT,

JAMES HARVIE Maſter,

Will be clear to receive goods on board at Greenock by the 10th, and to ſail about the 25th proximo. They ſail well, and have good accommodation for paſſengers.

Apply to Mr Robertſon, Merchant Bank, Glaſgow, or Flemings, M'Aleſter and Compny, Greenock.

GREENOCK, December 8. 1784.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, upon Monday firſt the 3d of January 1785, at Scaterow, upon the ſea-coaſt, four miles eaſt from Dunbar,

The Hull, Lower Maſts, and Lower Rigging, of the Brigantine DOVE of Arundel, lately put on ſhore.

The Veſſel, which is about 160 to 170 tuns burden, was built at Whitby, in the month of April laſt, and is ſtill in that condition to be got off and repaired, at a moderate expence.

Mr Searwell, the owner of the veſſel, is now at Dunbar, and will be ready to treat for the ſale of her by private bargain, with any perſon who chuſes to purchaſe that way, before the day of ſale.

For further particulars enquiry may be made at John Tait, Town clerk of Dunbar.

COACH-MAKERS WANTED immediately.

GOOD HANDS in the branches of Coach and Coach-Wheel makers will meet with good encouragement, and conſtant work, by applying to CALEB ANGAS Coachmaker, Newcaſtle-upon-Tyne.

FRUITS.

JUST now imported, in the George, Captain Brown, from Bordeaux in France, and to be Sold by JOHN THOMSON and COMPANY, Leith,

St Katharine's Prunes, in boxes and half-boxes.
Prunes in Caſks.
Bon Crotin Pears.
Beſt Brown Rennets.
Cheſnuts and Walnuts in bags.
Preſerved Fruits in ſmall flaſks, and boxes, to accommodate private families

N. B. J. THOMSON and Co. have alſo for ſale, lately arrived from Malaga,

Muſcatel Raiſins in boxes.
Bloom Raiſins in jars and boxes.
Figs in caſks and baſkets.
Wine Grapes in jarrs.
Lemons and Oranges in boxes.
Malaga Wine in hogſheads. And
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WALTER HUNTER, formerly from Edinburgh (laſt from Newcaſtle and Sunderland), who has performed many CURES in moſt of the principal cities and towns in Great Britain and Ireland, is now to be found at Mr Andrew Moriſon's, Fiſher-row.

Letters (poſt paid), meſſages, &c. addreſſed as above to be left at Mr James Walker grocer, above the City Guard.

He cures DEAFNESS in Old or Young, though of a long ſtanding—He will not tamper with any whom, on inſpecting, he judges paſt remedy—Indiſputable certificates by perſons of the firſt rank, and in all places he has been in, who have experienced the happy effects of his practice, with a certificate, and city ſeal of Cork, of his abilities, may be ſeen by any perſon inclined to inſpect them. To prevent miſtakes, he undertakes no cure but Deafneſs, which, if curable, he performs in a few minutes without any pain. Hours of attendance from ten to two o'clock.

☞ The charge of his advice at his own room is One Shilling.

Sale of a Houſe at the Chapel of Eaſe.

To be SOLD

THE THIRD FLAT or STORY of that Tenement of Land lately built immediately to the ſouth of the Chapel of Eaſe, conſiſting of five rooms, kitchen, and cellar, having a mutual right to a piece of back ground and water pump, all as preſently poſſeſſed by William Smith, Eſq.

The houſe is completely papered and painted in the genteeleſt manner. The drawing room is large and elegant, about 24 feet long, and a handſome dining room. The proprietor intends to diſpoſe of it at a very moderate price, and, from the certainty which there now is of a South Bridge, the value of property in that quarter will riſe very conſiderably.

The houſe to be ſeen Tueſday, Thurſday, and Saturday, from eleven to two o'clock afternoon.

For farther particulars apply to Richard Lake, writer to the ſignet.

PRICE REDUCED.

SALE of an ESTATE in ARGYLESHIRE,

Including the celebrated Iſland of STAFFA.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Thurſday the 3d day of March 1785, betwixt the hours of five and ſix o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtates of ULVA and ORMAIG, comprehending, among others, the celebrated Iſland of STAFFA, and a conſiderable tract of country along the ſea-coaſt, being very extenſive and improveable, having all the materials for that purpoſe on the eſtate, and water carriage.

The ſea-coaſt of this eſtate abounds in fiſh of all kinds, and the muirs are ſtored with a variety of game. The yearly free rent, after deduction of miniſter's ſtipend, and a ſmall feu-duty payable to the Duke of Argyle, the ſuperior, is 478 l. Sterling, excluſive of the produce of the kelp ſhores, preſently enjoyed by the tenants, which yield annually about 50 tons of that valuable commodity, and may of itſelf much increaſe the rental upon proper leaſes, the whole lands being juſt now out of leaſe, except the farm of Laggan Ulva, rented at 13 l. 6 s. 8 d, Sterling.

In order to encourage purchaſers, the whole ſubjects are now to be expoſed at the reduced price of 8000 l. Sterling.

The articles of ſale, and progreſs of writs, with a judicial rental, are to be ſeen in the hands of William Macdonald writer to the ſignet, Edinburgh; and copies of the rental with John Macneil writer in Inveraray; to either of whom application may be made for further particulars, or a private bargain, previous to the day of ſale.

TO be SOLD, by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffee-houſe, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 21ſt January 1785, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The REMAINING PARTS of the LANDS lying in the pariſh of Leſmahago, and ſheriffdom of Lanark, which belonged to the deceaſed George Gray, Eſq; ſometime of Leaſton; to be expoſed in one or more of the following parcels, viz.

LOT I. The Lands of GOOSELANDHOUSE, meaſuring about 8 acres, to be expoſed at the ſum of 105 l.

LOT II. That PARK of the Lands of HAWKSLAND, lately poſſeſſed by Robert Johnſton, meaſuring about 11 acres; to be expoſed at the ſum of 150 l.

LOT III. Theſe parts of the Lands of MOSSMINNING and HAWKSLAND, poſſeſſed by William and James Forreſts, meaſuring about 107 acres, to be expoſed at 260 l.

LOT IV. Theſe Parks of the Lands of Hawkſland called PAMPHERLAW and BREAKENRIDGE PARKS, ſometime poſſeſſed by Daniel Stewart and Robert Wharrie, meaſuring about 10 acres; to be expoſed at 185 l.

A great part of the lands are incloſed, and ſtrips of foreſt-trees planted around the incloſures; are in the near neighbourhood of coal and lime, and capable of great improvement, and all of them are out of leaſe.

For further particulars, application may be made to Mr David Ruſſel accomptant in Edinburgh, or to John Smyth writer to the ſignet, who will ſhow the rental and plan of the lands, the articles of roup, and progreſs of writs.

An authentic Copy of Doctor JOHNSON's WILL, *extracted from the Prerogative Court of Canterbury.*

IN the name of God, Amen. I SAMUEL JOHNSON, being in full poſſeſſion of my faculties, but fearing this night may put an end to my life, do ordain this my laſt will and teſtament.—I bequeath to God a ſoul polluted with many ſins, but I hope purified by repentance, and I truſt redeemed by Jeſus Chriſt. I leave 750 l. in the hands of Bennet Langton, Eſq; 300 l. in the hands of Mr Barclay and Mr Perkins, brewers; 150 l. in the hands of Dr Percy, Biſhop of Dromore; 1000 l. 3 per cent. annuities in the public funds, and 100 l. now lying by me in ready money; all theſe beforementioned ſums and property I leave, I ſay, to Sir Joſhua Reynolds, Sir John Hawkins, and Doctor William Scott, of Doctors Commons, in truſt for the following uſes: That is to ſay, to pay to the repreſentatives of the late William Innys, bookſeller, in St Paul's Church-yard, the ſum of 200 l. to Mrs White, my female ſervant, 100 l. ſtock in the 3 per cent. annuities aforeſaid. The reſt of the aforeſaid ſums of money and property, together with my books, plate, and houſhold furniture, I leave to the beforementioned Sir Joſhua Reynolds, Sir John Hawkins, and Dr William Scott, alſo in truſt, to be applied, after paying my debts, to the uſe of Francis Barber, my man ſervant, a negro, in ſuch manner as they ſhall judge moſt fit and available to his benefit. And I appoint the aforeſaid Sir Joſhua Reynolds, Sir John Hawkins, and Dr William Scott, ſole executors of [illegible] and teſtament; hereby revoking all former wills and teſtaments whatſoever. In witneſs whereof I hereunto ſubſcribe my name, and affix my ſeal, this eighth day of December, 1784.

SAM. JOHNSON. (L. S.)

Signed, ſealed, publiſhed, declared, and delivered by the ſaid teſtator, as his laſt will and teſtament, in the preſence of us, the word *two* being firſt inſerted in the oppoſite page.

GEORGE STRAHAN.
JOHN DES MOULINS.

BY way of codicil to my laſt will and teſtament, I Samuel Johnſon give, deviſe, and bequeath my meſſuage or tenement, ſituate at Litchfield, in the county of Stafford, with the appurtenances, in the tenure or occupation of Mrs Bond, of Litchfield aforeſaid, or of Mr Hinchman, her under-tenant, to my executors in truſt, to ſell and diſpoſe of the ſame; and the money ariſing from ſuch ſale I give and bequeath as follows, viz. to Thomas and Benjamin, the ſons of Fiſher Johnſon, late of Leiceſter, and —— Whiting, daughter of Thomas Johnſon, late of Coventry, and the grand-daughter of the ſaid Thomas Johnſon, one full and equal fourth part each; but in caſe there ſhall be more grand-daughters than one of the ſaid Thomas Johnſon living at the time of my deceaſe, I give and bequeath the part or ſhare of that one to, and equally between, ſuch grand-daughters. I give and bequeath to the Rev. Mr Rogers of Berkeley, near Froome, in the county of Somerſet, the ſum of 100 l. requeſting him to apply the ſame towards the maintenance of Elizabeth Henre, a lunatic. I alſo give and bequeath to my god-children, the ſon and daughter of Mauritius Low, painter, each of them 100 l. of my ſtock in the three per cent. conſolidated annuities, to be applied and diſpoſed of, by and at the diſcretion of my executors, in the education or ſettlement in the world of them, my ſaid legatees. Alſo, I give and bequeath to Sir John Hawkins, one of my executors, the Annales Eccleſiaſtici of Baronius, and Hollingſhed's and Stowe's Chronicles, and alſo an octavo Common Prayer Book; to Bennet Langton, Eſq; I give and bequeath my Polyglot Bible; to Sir Joſhua Reynolds my great French Dictionary, by Martiniere, and my own copy of my folio Engliſh Dictionary, of the laſt reviſion; to Dr William Scott, one of my executors, the Dictionaire de Commerce, and Lectius's edition of the Greek poets; to Mr Windham, Poetæ Græci Heroici per Henricum Stephanum; to the Rev. Mr Strahan, vicar of Iſlington, in the county of Middleſex, Mills's Greek Teſtament, Beza's Greek Teſtament by Stephens, all my Latin Bibles, and my Greek Bibles by Wechelius; to Dr Heberden, Dr Brockleſby, Dr Butter, Mr Cruickſhanks the ſurgeon who attended me, Mr Holder my apothecary, Gerard Hamilton, Eſq; Mrs Gardiner of Snow-hill, Mrs Frances Reynolds, Mr Hoole, and the Rev. Mr Hoole his ſon, each a book at their election, to keep as a token of remembrance. I alſo give and bequeath to Mr John Des Moulins 200 l. conſolidated three per cent. annuities; and to Mr Saſiers, the Italian maſter, the ſum of 5 l. to be laid out in books of piety, for his own uſe. And whereas the ſaid Bennet Langton hath agreed, in conſideration of the ſum of 750 l. mentioned in my will to be in his hands, to grant and ſecure an annuity of 70 l. payable during the life of me, and my ſervant Francis Barber, and the life of the ſurvivers of us, to Mr George Stubbs, in truſt for us; my mind and will is, that, in caſe of my deceaſe before the ſaid agreement ſhall be perfected, the ſaid ſum of 750 l. and the bond for ſecuring the ſaid ſum, ſhall go to the ſaid Francis Barber. And I hereby give and bequeath to him the ſame, in lieu of the bequeſt in his favour contained in my ſaid will. And I hereby empower my ſaid executors to deduct and retain all expences that ſhall or may be incurred in the execution of my ſaid will, or of this codicil thereto, out of ſaid eſtate and effects as I ſhall die poſſeſſed of: All the reſt, reſidue, and remainder of my eſtate and effects, I give and bequeath to my ſaid executors, in truſt, for the ſaid Francis Barber, his executors and adminiſtrators. Witneſs my hand and ſeal, this 9th day of December 1784.

SAM. JOHNSON, (L. S.)

Signed, ſealed, publiſhed, declared, and delivered by the ſaid Samuel Johnſon, as and for a codicil to his laſt will and teſtament, in the preſence of us, who, in his preſence, and at his requeſt, and alſo in the preſence of each other, have hereto ſubſcribed our names as witneſſes.

JOHN COPLEY.
WILLIAM GIBSON.
HENRY COTE.

Proved at London, with a codicil, the 16th day of December 1784, before the Worſhipful George Harris, Doctor of Laws and Surrogate, by the oath of Sir Joſhua Reynolds, Knight, Sir John Hawkins, Knight, and William Scott, Doctor of Laws, the executors, named in the will, to whom adminiſtration was granted, having been firſt ſworn duly to adminiſter.

Dec. 18. 1784. HENRY STEVENS, GEO. GOSTLING, JOHN GRENE. } Deputy Regiſters.

INTELLIGENCE FROM LLOYD'S, *Dec.* 24.

The Sufanna, Brown, from New-York to Glafgow, is loft off Wicklow; the Captain and crew faved.

Captain Weftbeach, of the Lord Hood, arrived in the river from Jamaica, took up the crew of the Bermuda packet, Captain Perkins, from Philadelphia to Newfoundland, who foundered at fea.

Hull 17. The fhips arrived here from Elfinore, paffed three or four fail of veffels in the North Sea, difmafted, but did not know them.

Hull 20. The Induftry, Hartfon, met with bad weather in the Baltic, got fome damage, and winters at Memel. The Happy Meeting, Acklam, is expected to be now off the Humber.

The Mary, Rofs, from Virginia to Londonderry, is fuppofed to be loft on the coaft of Ireland, and all the crew drowned.

A letter from Sir George Eliott, dated at Gibraltar the 25th of Nov. fays, Capt. Blanket, commanding In the Bay, informs me the Grand Ducheff of Tufcany, merchant fhip, from Zant and Algiers, paffed through the Straits laft night, wind fair for England.

From the London Papers, Dec. 25.

Paris, Dec. 16. The Duke of Dorfet has demanded of Count de Vergenues the reafon for conftructing the Port of Cherbourg, which, in cafe matters fhould come to a rupture, would furnifh very commodious fhelter to fuch French fhips as might cruize in the Channel.

The Court of London, exafperated at the cruel treatment of their officers who were made prifoners by Tippoo-Saib, was filently preparing to fit out eight fhips of the line for the Eaft-Indies. But the Court of Verfailles intimated to them, that if they continued their preparations, fhe fhould alfo be obliged to fit out the like number of fhips for the fame place. In confequence of this intimation, it has been decided by both powers that they fhould each fend out one fhip of the line and two frigates.—*Bruffels Gazette.*

LONDON.

The Dutch are buying up in all the foreign markets every ton of falt petre they can lay hands on, with a view, no doubt, of preventing the Emperor from procuring a fupply; but if the States do not, by an edict, reftrict their fubjects from the fale of it when on advance, the prefent policy will by no means anfwer the intention.

The Prince of Delhi, according to the defcription of Mr Haftings, is a young man of fuch amiable manners, that in his determination to refcue his father from the tyranny of his miniffers, he will be aided by the enthufiafm of the country. The Governor General talks of the confequence of the flight of the Prince with his accuftomed difcretion—"He is by no means difpofed to involve the Company in a new war, but it is impoffible to foreffee the confequence of this event."

The latter part of Mr Haftings's letter, which treats of the fituation of the Prince of Delhi, intimates, that the Mahrattas are totally governed by French Councils, and are confequently hoftile to the Prince and his father. If this intimation is capable of any conftruction, it is this, that the Mahrattas, in a future war, will follow the intereft of France, and become more formidable than we have ever yet found them.

We underftand from no contemptible authority, that a popular member of Parliament means next feffions to bring in a bill for compelling the Eaft-India Company to pay into the Exchequer what they have received for their teas more than the prices mentioned in the commutation act. Miniffers will find themfelves unpleafantly circumftanced upon this bufinefs. If they fupport the bill, they run the rifque of being annihilated by their creators in Leadenhall-ftreet; and if they oppofe it, they affift in countenancing the impofition upon the public, and tacitly acknowledge the inefficacy of their favourite fcheme.

The independency of the India Proprietors has again triumphed over the new commiffion. The plan of management is a clofe one; it was never defigned that the difpatches fhould be fully read, and pofitive inftructions were given to many of the miniffers friends and dependents to oppofe the reading of it. The divifion, however, fhewed that Mr Pitt's power is confined to the Court of Directors, and does not by any means extend as far as was expected.

Accounts from Calcutta, dated the 11th of June, declare, that the new fociety eftablifhed there for enquiring into the natural hiftory, antiquities, arts, fciences, and literature, of Afia, is daily advancing to maturity. Sir William Jones had laid before the fociety fome very valuable MSS. refpecting the geography of Afia, in the Perfic language, and was preparing a tranflation from the Hindoo of fome curious refearches into the manufactures, agriculture, and aftronomy of the inhabitants.

The above learned body conffts at prefent of forty-two members only, who hold weekly meetings, without formality or expence, for the purpofe of examining original papers. In cafe a fufficient number of important articles are contributed, the members intend to prefent an *Afiatic Mifcellany* to the public at the end of every year.

Letters from Geneva, dated Dec. 17, mention, that M. Aubert, and two Englifh gentlemen had been for fome days employed in examining the famous grotto, about five leagues from Befancon. They found this phenomenon of nature funk at the bottom of a high mountain, 139 feet wide, 170 long, and 86 feet high. The water from the top comes down drop by drop, and congealing, forms itfelf into many columns, feftoons, and other figures of ice. The variation of the thermometer between fummer and winter was found very inconfiderable. Thus this cavern prefents a circumftance abfolutely *unique* in the univerfe. The ice, which is there formed during the heats of fummer, proves that the cold is regular, and not relative, as in all other places of that kind hitherto difcovered.

It is not unworthy of obfervation, that the French writers labour under many difadvantages in treating fubjects of a political nature. Befide the prejudices peculiar to their religion and government, they have little opportunity of remarking the effects of civil and eccleffaftical liberty on the character and difpofitions of a free people. Another difadvantage is, that whatever may be their real liberality of opinion, it is by no means fafe for them to give it full fcope in their writings; for though it may *at prefent fuit* the Court of Verfailles to affume the appearance of friendfhip to American freedom, yet daily experience proves, that their government is as inimical as ever to the great caufe of liberty; and that it is dangerous for a fubject of his Moft Chriftian Majefty to indulge himfelf in that honeft freedom of expreffion, which is fo natural to a liberal mind, on a fubject fo congenial to its feelings.

The laft letters from New-York and Philadelphia concur in repreffenting the Congrefs as exceedingly difunited.—An oppofition has been made by feveral of the members to the plan of their government propofed by the Abbe de Mably, who is fufpected, and upon very rational grounds, to have been employed in the late inveftigation of the fettlement of the United States by the French adminiftration.

The Abbe de Mably, in his late addrefs to the Americans, upon their laws and government, thinks the Congrefs have conferred too much power on the people, whom he treats with a degree of contempt, that is not likely will be much reliffhed by thofe republicans.—He alfo reproves them for adopting the fpirit of the laws of Great Britain, and making them the model of their own.

They write from Cadiz, that the Aftrea man of war, from Carthagena and the Havannah, is fafe arrived at that port, with a cargo of two millions in fpecie.

A letter from Cadiz, by the way of Lifbon, fays, that two veffels, loaded with provifions and cloathing for the garrifon at Mahon, are taken by the Moors, and carried into Algiers, from whence one of the Captains and fix of the crew efcaped in an Engliffi veffel, which landed them at Leghorn.

The laft advices from Flanders give great hopes that an accommodation will take place between the Emperor and the Dutch. His Imperial Majefty, after all his boafting, finds it imprudent to attack the Hollanders while they are likely to be fupported by France and Pruffia, and he would alfo in all probability (in cafe of a war) find himfelf attacked in the rear by the Turks. The threatened ftorm will likely blow over for the prefent, and the Dutch make fatisfaction for the damages done the Auftrians by the late inundation in Brabant, and gain their point of keeping the Scheldt.

The Court of France has intimated to the Emperor in full form, a wifh that he will deffft from his pretenfions in the Scheldt. This has been miniffterially communicated by the Ambaffador to Lord Caermarthen, with a defire to know the fentiments of this Court. Lord Caermarthen anfwered prudently and properly, that whenever either of the contending parties applied, they would have an anfwer.

A few days ago Sir Jofeph Senhoufe prefented to the Lords of the Admiralty a plan for raifing the Royal George; and alfo a plan for removing fuch fand or mud as may collect about her; both of which are rendered probable by two fuccefsful experiments.

Yefterday Mr Ord, Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, had a conference with his Majefty, in reference to fome difpatches he had received from his Grace.

Yefterday Sir Elijah Impey was at the Levee at St James's, for the firft time fince his return from the Eaft Indies.

Winter having fet in fo uncommonly foon, has retarded all the operations intended to have taken place in Flanders, and, according to the laft Flanders letters, accounts have been received that very large bodies of German infantry have been ftopped on the road in their march from the interior parts of the empire.

After two days between froft and thaw end of laft week, the froft fet in again on Sunday very intenfe, and ftill continues; the fnow ftill lies in the ftreets of London fince the firft fall, and there have been fome flight fhowers of fnow fince. The river was fo frozen up laft night, that the navigation above bridge was entirely put a ftop to; and at King's ftairs, Rotherhithe, and many other public ftairs, there was no approaching the fhore.

A plan has been propofed to Government to eftablifh a Newfoundland Company, which, without converting trade into a monopoly, would greatly increafe the revenue: It is now under conffideration.

Extract of a letter from an officer in the 42d *regiment, dated Mangalore.*

"We left Bombay in April (*i. e.* the regiment I belong to) and arrived at Mangalore, on the coaft of Malabar: We landed to fome purpofe, for a few hours after we joined the remaining part of the army, under the command of Major-General Campbell of the 42d regiment. The difpofition being made of our force, conffting of 250 Europeans, and 1300 fepoys, at twelve that night we marched, in filent and clofe order, by a fecret route, to furprife a body of the enemy, about 7000 of their beft troops, who occupied a ftrong poft about three miles in our front.

"By day-break we arrived at the bottom of the hill called Coodai, unperceived; afcended, and ftormed their camp immediately; we formed acrofs the plain on their rear, under a fmart fire from fix guns, and their fmall arms, rockets, &c. without firing a fhot, till they were entirely routed; a few of their cavalry fled through the line at the expence of their lives. Their lofs was great of men, cattle, guns, &c. with which we returned, and difpofed of in the fort, with no fmall triumph. Our lofs was trivial.

"From this time to the 23d of May, we were obliged to take to the fort, after being driven from our advanced poft with great lofs, by a large army, commanded by the Nabob Tippoo, conffting of three battalions of French Europeans, and 20,000 fepoys, well fupplied with a numerous heavy train of artillery. We have been clofely befieged fince that time till the beginning of the month of Auguft, when both parties, being heartily tired of annoying each other, and in confequence of accounts being received of the peace in Europe, which prevented the French from acting, provided we would agree to reafonable terms, a ceffation took place for four months; myfelf and another gentleman had the honour to be accepted as hoftages on the part of the Englifh. We took up our refidence in our new capacity at the Nabob's camp, before the town, and from the treatment we received we have no reafon to complain. We expect to accompany the Nabob and Brigadier-General Macleod, our commander in chief, who goes to Seringapatam, to adjuft the terms of peace.

"The enemy acknowledge they loft 6000 or 7000 men during the fiege, which has been very fatal to us, having reduced our fmall garrifon to half its ftrength of 3000 fighting men: our lofs in killed, wounded, taken, and miffing, amounts to 1400. The officers have been particularly unfortunate, two-thirds of whom have been killed or wounded. The 6th of July, in particular, we loft many officers, and 100 men, in attempting to drive the enemy from a poft they had worked themfelves into on part of the covert-way.—We have laboured under inconveniencies feldom met with in Europe. In thofe cafes, we had no fecurity from the heavy rains but huts covered with leaves, nor any bomb-proof to protect us from the large ftones they threw from their mortars, ten in number, with great expedition during the few hours we could allot to reft during the night; fo that many brave fellows would have rather met death at the point of the bayonet, than be crufhed to atoms in their fleep, and others wounded in a moft horrid manner. This enraged us fo much, that one night we fallied out in two parties, about 100 in each, fpiked up their mortar batteries, and bayoneted about 400 of their troops, whom we furprifed on their poffs. The enemy having drilled the cannon we had fpiked, opened them upon us next day. What with continual alarms and watching, we almoft forgot how to fleep, when at liberty fo to do!—However, I am now making up for loft time.—Notwithftanding all this hard living, hard duty, and inceffant fire on all fides from cannon, fmall arms, rockets, &c. I have been fortunate enough to efcape, though twice buried in ruins."

Extract of a letter from Falmouth, Dec. 18.

"An unfortunate accident happened on Sunday evening laft, the 12th inft. at a diffenting meeting-houfe in St Mawes, near this place. The room where the congregation was affembled was over a cooper's fhop. It was fuppofed there were near 400 perfons in it, and juft as the preacher was beginning his difcourfe, the beams gave way, and about one third of the congregation fell into the fhop below; the others were unable to give them the leaft affiftance, fearing, if they ftarted, the whole would give way. Fortunately Mr William Blake, and Mr Pearce, jun. were paffing by the moment it happened, and, with great prefence of mind, burft open the door, and tore down the front part of the building (which was compofed of frame-work) and being prefently joined by many of the neighbours, they cleared the whole houfe in lefs than half an hour, and preferved the lives of many, who muft otherwife inevitably have perifhed. Providentially no lives were loft, though many received much hurt.

"This afternoon arrived here a Dutch Eaft Indiaman. She failed a few days fince, in company with twelve others, from Amfterdam; one of whom fhe unfortunately ran down laft night, and it is feared every perfon on board perifhed."

*** No bufinefs done this day at Change.

WIND AT DEAL, Dec. 22. N. W.

PRICES OF CORN AT CORN EXCHANGE, Dec. 24.

Per Quarter.	
Wheat, 30 34 40 to 44 s.	Beans, 28 s. to 30 s.
Barley, 19 s. to 22 s. 6 d.	Tick, 24 s. to 26 s.
Rye, 25 to 27 s.	Tares, 34 s. to 38 s.
Oats, 16 s. to 22 s.	
Pale Malt, 36 s. to 37 s. 6 d.	Per Sack.
Amber ditto, 36 s. to 38 s.	Fine Flour, 37 s. to 38 s.
Peafe, 36 to 38 s.	Second fort, 34 s. to 35 s.
Hog ditto, 32 s. to 34 s.	Third Sort, 26 s. to 28 s.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Dec. 25.

"A certain Great Perfonage has been waited upon with a letter, written to him from the fon of the Great Mogul, which he delivered into Mr Haftings's hands at Lucknow, where the Prince had taken his flight from Delhi, in hopes of intereffing the Nabob, and the Eaft India Company, in behalf of his unhappy father. The occafion of fo extraordinary a correfpondence, is reported to have been Mr Haftings declining, at leaft for the prefent, rendering him the fervice he came to folicit, or, indeed, any fort of affiftance under the then circumftances of the Company. The Governor, however, was pleafed to inform him, at the fame time, that he fhould fend home for inftructions how to act in fo extraordinary a matter, and had no objection to his writing through the fame conveyance.—The Prince, accordingly, penned his cafe to the Eaft India Company, and the Great Perfonage above alluded to, in two feparate letters, both of which have been delivered. They are faid to be written in a ftyle that would have done honour to the moft celebrated Princes of the firft characters of ancient Rome, being replete with the fineft reafoning and foundeft argument, fraught with the nobleft fentiments, and trueft principles, and expreffed throughout in terms too pathetic and pointed, not to touch the feelings, and move the pity of every heart at all alive to the emotions of humanity.

"The above Prince is faid to be in the twentieth year of his age, fomewhat above the middle ftature, of features exceedingly ftriking and expreffive, and a deportment, that equally difcovers his high birth, and the fenfe he has of the indignity of oppreffion he is fuffering.

"We do not learn, that any thing decifive has been determined on in confequence of the above letter to the Great Perfonage; but we are affured from very good authority, that the diftrefs of the Prince and his unhappy father, in whofe caufe he had effected an efcape to Lucknow, had moved in no fmall degree the concern of the R—l breaft; and his cafe, it is confidently faid, will be referred to the conffideration of the Houfe of Commons at the enfuing Seffion of Parliament.

"A variety of difcoveries are faid to have been made by the new Eaft India Commiffioners in the affairs of the Company, that will naturely bring on feveral moft important reffolutions, and intereffing debates. Indeed, notwithftanding the many effential regulations that have from time to time been made, many others equally material, not only to the profperity, but even the falvation of our intereft in the Eaft Indies, yet remain to be brought forward, in order to fuppreff the rapacious practices of the Company's fervants, and reftore every thing to a proper ftate of fubordination; from which it is not to be wondered at, that men fhould deviate for the purpofes of encreafing their wealth and power, when the following paffage in a private letter from Mr H——gs is conffidered.

"Indoftan was always an abfolute defpotic government.—"The inhabitants, efpecially of Bengal, in inferior ftations, "are fervile, mean, fubmiffive, and humble. In fuperior ftations, they are luxurious, effeminate, tyrannical, treacherous, venal, cruel. The country of Bengal is called by "way of diftinction, the Paradife of the earth.—It not only "abounds with the neceffaries of life, to fuch a degree, as to "furnifh a great part of India with its fuperfluity; but it "bounds with very curious and valuable manufactures, fuffi"cient not only for its own ufe, but for the ufe of the whole "globe. The filver of the Weft, and the gold of the Eaft, "have for many years been forming into that country, and "goods only have been fent out in return.

"From time immemorial, it has been the cuftom of the "country, for an inferior never to come into the prefence of a "fuperior, without a prefent. It begins at the Nabob, and "ends in the loweft man that has an inferior. The Nabob of "Lucknow has told me, that the *fmall* prefents he received "amounted to three hundred thoufand pounds a-year; and I "can believe him; becaufe I know that I might have receiv"ed as much every year during my government. Let the "world figure to itfelf a country conffting of *fifteen millions* "of inhabitants, a revenue of *four millions Sterling*, and a "trade in proportion."

"In fhort, the Eaft Indies, ravaged and plundered as they have long been, by a train of European adventurers, are never theleff yet abounding in riches, and capable, in the hands of a wife and honeft minifter, of proving the moft valuable gem in the Britifh diadem."

This day, the Presbytery of Edinburgh had their ufual meeting, when Dr Johnfton of Leith was continued Moderator for another half year, in room of Mr Gibfon of the W[illegible]

Church, whose turn it was, but who begged leave to decline it, on account of his present indisposition. The only business, of a public nature, which came before the Presbytery, was a motion from Dean of Guild Macdowall for a Committee of their number to be appointed to moderate in a call to the Rev. Mr Simpson to be one of the ministers of this city, in room of the Rev. Dr Webster deceased. A Committee was accordingly appointed, and Tuesday the 25th of January is the day fixed for the moderation.

We are informed the incorporation of Shoemakers of this city have declared for a reform in the present systems of election, and have appointed a Committee of their number to co-operate with the Committee of Citizens.

The city of Newcastle has declared in favour of a parliamentary reform, and in their publications upon this subject give great credit to the boroughs of Scotland, who have declared for a reformation of the present slavish system of government.

The Endeavour, Boyd, from Leith, arrived in the Thames the 24th inst. all well.

The Kitty, Crawford, from Virginia, to Clyde, is put into Campbelton Loch.

We hear that a quantity of very fine high-flavoured congo teas, which was intended for the American market, and formerly mentioned to have been seized by Captain Cook at Peterhead, where the ship arrived in distress, are on their way to Leith, and will be sold there, in a few days, in single boxes, for the benefit of private families. As there is not teas of such a superfine quality for public sale in Britain, there is little doubt, in the present want of teas, that they will come to a good market.

On Wednesday last the Court of Session determined a case of Insurance, in which the mercantile part of the country being interested, it is thought an account of it will be acceptable to the public.

Messr. Richardson and Co. of Perth, shipped on board the William and Barbara, Alexander Martin master, a cargo of salmon from Berwick for Venice, which was underwrote by the Edinburgh underwriters. Each barrel of salmon valued in the policy at 3 l. 5 s. per barrel.

The vessel proving leaky on her voyage, and the weather being tempestuous, the ship, on the 19th February, put into St Lucar. Here the master, apprehensive that the cargo might spoil, and that the proper season would be over at Venice before he could arrive there, consigned the cargo to Messr. Stoner, Hunter, and Ker, merchants in St Lucar, who disposed of it for the behoof of the owners at the rate of 2 l. 10 s. per barrel, and rendered to Messr. Richard and Co. an account of sales.

Messr. Richardson and Co. disappointed of a good return for their salmon, raised an action before the High Court of Admiralty against Messr. Stoner, Hunter, and Ker, the shipmaster and the underwriters, for what they estimated their cargo would have sold for at Venice, which was afterwards removed into the Court of Session.

The Court having formerly found Messr. Stoner, Hunter, and Ker, and the shipmaster, liable to Messr. Richardson and Company, the only question that remained was with the underwriters.

They acknowledged, that by the N. B. at the foot of the policy, viz. "Corn, seed, salt, fish, fruit, and flour, are warranted free from all average, unless general, or the ship be "stranded," they were liable for a total loss, a general average or a special average, in the case of the ship stranding; but insisted that the loss claimed, and all other partial losses were excluded by the express terms of the policy.

Messr. Richardson and Co. contended, that the N. B. respected only losses that might arise from the perishable nature of the commodities enumerated in the N. B. and all other losses stood upon the same footing as those that might happen to other commodities not there mentioned; and therefore the loss they sustained fell under not only the several risks specially enumerated in the policy, but under all perils, losses, and misfortunes coming to their cargo, by which it was prevented being brought to its destined port. And more particularly, it fell under *the perils of the seas*, which was the cause of the ship putting into St Lucar. 2dly, *The arrest, restraint, and detainment of all kings, princes, or people, of what nation, condition, or quality soever*, which they insisted extended to private persons. 3dly, *The barratry of the master*, which was a specific peril, against which they were expressly insured by the policy.

The Court, without explaining the import of the N. B. found, that the loss claimed did not fall under the policy, by refusing a reclaiming petition for Messr. Richardson and Co.

Counsel for Messr. Richardson and Co. Mr Robert Macintosh, and Mr Alexander Wight; agent, Mr James Beveridge. Counsel for the Underwriters, the Lord Advocate; agent, Mr Charles Livingston.

Monday night, George Walker slater, mentioned in our last, after undergoing an examination before the Magistrates, was committed to the tolbooth.

Saturday, came down to Glasgow, his Majesty's pardon, to Henrietta Faulds, on condition of banishing herself from that city.

On Thursday last, Alexander M'Leod, Alexander Geddes, and William Geddes, officers of Excise, assisted by George Scott, baron baillie of Old-deer, Aberdeenshire, seized a considerable quantity of counterfeit halfpence, contained in two large bags, in the possession of one James Bisset, who was strolling through the country, proposing to purchase more of these counterfeits, with an intention to circulate them again among the indigent and unwary. The justices of peace in the neighbourhood approved of the seizure; and it is much to be wished, that all other officers may be equally vigilant in detecting such an iniquitous traffic.

On the 6th instant at St Bees in the county of Cumberland, Mr Jeremiah Rule, aged 19, was married to Mrs Hannah Hodgson, widow, aged 61, being the *fourth* time she has honoured the marriage register-book with her name. In the evening, several of the relations, by her former husbands, went to the apartments of the new-married couple, to pay their respects to their *young* grandfather; a great number of the neighbours also adheared on the occasion, to congrtulate him on the prudent choice he had made, *loudly* applauding that philosophic disposition which would prefer the *ripened* charms of *threescore*, (which cannot possibly suffer by change) to the *blooming* beauties of youth, which are known to be as fading as any flowers in the wide field of nature.

Extract of a letter from Forres, Dec. 23d. 1784.

The following very extraordinary circumstance happened in a country village near this place. The wife of a farmer who had attained her 53d year some time in August last (and who has been married upwards of 21 years) was last week brought to bed of a sprightly boy; and what is still more remarkable, her husband has not had any connexion with her for 19 months back, and she utterly denies her having known any body else. It is generally thought that it will end, by her being dismissed as soon as she is thoroughly recovered, and the inclemency of the weather will admit."

Extract of a letter from Lochryan, Dec. 22.

"The Cumbraes cutter, Captain Crawford, is arrived here from a cruize, and has brought in with her a smuggling cutter, with a cargo of spirits and tea, valued at 4000 l. or 5000 l.—The Cumbraes, the day after she took the above, chaced another large smuggling cutter, loaded with teas, but lost sight of her in the night."

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

I OBSERVED in last Wednesday's Courant, a very impertinent answer to my second letter. I see also you have had your own portion of illiberal abuse for the insertion of it in your paper. Your answer, so far as respects yourself, in last Saturday's Mercury, is extremely proper; it brings the matter to a conclusion at once; and has saved me the trouble of a good part of what I meant to offer on the subject at present.

These Gentlemen still insist, notwithstanding they plainly gave it up in their former advertisement, that Mr Dinwiddie's name was not improperly put on the title-page of their Almanack for *this* year. They affirm he supplied them with a *principal part* of the calculations of this year's Almanack. *What part* they very prudently do not choose to mention. Was it the southing of the Moon; her rising or setting; the New, Full, and Quarters; or the Tides? This surely will not be pretended. Perhaps it may be the Sun's declination south, or the Equation of time, which, if originally Mr Dinwiddie's, has not been changed for several years. Neither have these Gentlemen offered to show Mr Dinwiddie's manuscript.—But if these, or any part of these calculations are his, why does he not own them? Why not defend them? And why have not these Gentlemen dared to put his name to their Almanack for *next* year?

I retract nothing of what I said in my first letter concerning the New, Full, and Quarter Moons. They are uniformly near *half an hour wrong*, and I am ready to take up these Gentlemen any bett on this subject they please. They themselves acknowledge their calculation of these is uniformly 12 minutes *later* than Mr Maskelyne, "in order," as they say, "to reduce the Astronomer Royal's calculations to our meri-"dian." In their article of eclipses, however, an opposite method is pursued. In order to reduce these to our meridian, instead of *adding* 12 minutes, 12 minutes are regularly *subtracted*; so that they are made to happen 12 minutes *sooner* than Mr Maskelyne makes them. In another part of their Almanack again, where they take notice of the time of the Sun's entering the different signs, no allowance is made for the difference of meridians either by *adding* or *subtracting*. The difference betwixt *adding* and *subtracting*, is, in most calculations, reckoned a very material circumstance. But this seems to be of no consequence at all to Professor Partridge. Whether he adds, or subtracts, or does neither, he is always right. Like Hudibras,

> On either side he could dispute,
> Confute, change hands, and still confute.

In the state they have been pleased to give of the Moon's southing for the first eleven days of December, these Gentlemen have again attempted to impose on the Public, by not quoting Maskelyne fairly. Maskelyne always uses the *astronomical* day. They again artfully put down the *civil* day, according to *their* way of reckoning it. But this is plainly begging the question in dispute; which is, that their calculator did not understand Maskelyne, nor how to express *astronomical* time according to the *civil* account; by which means their almanack, this year, as well as next, is regularly wrong in the Moon's southing a *whole day*, and often more, by other blunders they have fallen into. Thus, according to Maskelyne, the Moon's southing 1st December, is not 4.19, as they have put it down; but 16.19, which is 4.19 of next morning the 2d; and so of the rest. That this is the case, I have the highest authority for asserting. It is no less than that of Professor Partridge himself, who, in calculating the Eclipses, and the New, Full, and Quarter Moons, has uniformly followed this rule. Thus, in Maskelyne, the New Moon is said to be on the 21st January 1784, at 21. 48; which they have made not the 21st, but the 22d day at 9. 48 morning. In like manner, Maskelyne makes the eclipse of the Moon, in March that year, to happen on the 6th, at 14. 16½; which they again have made the 7th at 2. 12 morning. In this manner, they go on, in perfect contradiction both to truth and to themselves.

In reducing the Astronomer Royal's calculations to our meridian, they seem to have been much perplexed. Sometimes 2, sometimes 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 23, 26, 29, 34, 38, and even 41 minutes are *added*. At other times 11 and 12 minutes are *subtracted*. What is the occasion of these differences, is inconceivable, as the difference of the meridians of Edinburgh and Greenwich is always the *same*. But perhaps the sagacious Partridge may have some secret reason for this, which, among other *arcana* equally curious, he may at some future period unfold.

As, after what I had thrown out in my first letter, it would not have answered well to have affixed any person's name to an Almanack without their consent, a new species of imposition has been fallen upon.—The calculations of the Edinburgh Almanack are, on the title-page, said to be by *An Eminent Professor of Mathematics*. He must be a very *impudent* one too, who could thus call himself *eminent*. This stratagem, however, of affixing no particular name, was at least more prudent and cautious, than that of the publishers of the Town and Country Almanack, as not being so easily capable of detection. At the same time, the Almanack is so full of blunders, it never could have been compiled by any person who understood calculations of this kind. The New, Full, and Quarter Moons, are regularly wrong throughout the whole year. The rising of the Moon, for the very first ten days of the year, is from half an hour to two hours too soon. On 1st November, the Moon is made to *rise* 3. 14 *afternoon*, instead of 7 in the *morning*. On December 1. the Moon is again made to *rise* 3. 32 *afternoon*, instead of half past 8 in the *morning*. Perhaps they mean the Moon should have *set* at these hours. But who can pretend to tell what is *meant*? Neither is it true that the Moon sets at these hours.

It is somewhat curious that both the Edinburgh and Town and Country Almanacks are, for next year, evidently calculated by the same person. Why the former have put upon theirs, "the calculations *by an Eminent Professor of Mathematics*," while the latter have affixed no name at all, they know best themselves. Probably it may have proceeded from an excess of *modesty* in the latter, for which they seem to be so *eminently distinguished*.

I am, &c. DETECTOR.

ARRIVED at GREENOCK, Dec. 20. John, M'Farlane, from Esdale, with slates.—21. Mary, Latta, from Dublin, with goods.—22. Favourite, M'Lellan, from Stornoway, with fish and oil; Glasgow, Slatter, from Kendal, with goods.—24. Mary, Fullarton, from Esdale, with slate; Mary, Taylor, from Belfast, with meal. 25. Irvine Packet, M'Pherson, from Irvine, with goods; Elizabeth, Callender, from ditto, with ditto; Brothers Ferguson, from Barnstaple, with timber and fruit; St Patrick, Rock, from Dungarvan, with oats; Belisarius, Dougall, from Memel, with timber; Integrity, Wilkie, from ditto, with ditto.—26. Ann, Martin, from Drogheda, with meal and oats.

SAILED, Dec. 20. Columbus, Wilson, for Jamaica, with goods; Kingston, Turbet, for St Vincent, with ditto.—21. Adventure, M'Niel, for Barbadoes, with ditto; Excise cutter for a cruize.—22. Christie, Sharp, for Dublin, with goods.—23. Betty and Mally, M'Intosh, for ditto, with ditto; Betsey, Ewing, for Rotterdam, with tobacco.—24. Minerva, Spiers, for Jamaica, with goods.

ARRIVED at LEITH, Dec. 28. Nelly, Bell, from Kircaldy, with grain; Betty, Miller, from Berwick, with ditto; Mary, Sclanders, from Newcastle, with goods; Christian and Jannet, Cutler, from Pillaw, with grain; George, Brown, from Bordeaux, with rosin, &c.—29. Laurel, Hutcheon, from Stockton, with grain; Diligence, Johnstone, from Alemouth, with ditto; Peggie, Chalmers, from Berwick, with meal; Betty, Fotheringham, from Alemouth, with grain.

EXTRAORDINARY COLLECTION.

BY order of the General Meeting of Managers of the Charity Workhouse of Canongate, an *Extraordinary Collection* will be made at the *Church-door of Canongate, Sabbath first*, being the 2d day of January 1785.

As *many* of the most *opulent inhabitants* have not an opportunity of contributing at the *church door*, it is requested, they will be pleased to send *their collection* to Bailie George Rae, Leith Wynd, Treasurer to the said Poor House, who will grant receipts if required. A Box is also placed in the Charity House, to receive the *mite of them* who do not desire any receipt.

FINE SWEDISH TEAS.

TO be SOLD by Auction at the Warehouse of William Sibbald and Co. Leith, a cargo of GOTTENBURGH TEAS, chiefly of the best Congo; with a proportion of the finest Green and Bohea, in whole, half, and quarter Boxes, to be put up in such lots as meet the general approbation of intended purchasers. The sale to begin on Thursday the 13th January at 12 o'clock noon, and at the same hour the following days till all is sold off.

The Teas may be viewed the day before the sale at the Warehouse mentioned.

A BRIDGE TO BUILD.

THE Gentlemen of the County of Roxburgh, having resolved to build a Bridge over the Tiviot, upon the rock at the south corner of Friars Garden, near Kelso, persons inclining to undertake the work are desired to give in plans of the bridge, and estimates of the expence, to William Smith writer in Kelso, betwixt and the first Friday of February next, when they will be taken under consideration by a meeting to be held at Kelso for that purpose.

First Notice—First Term.

IN the process of ranking and sale, at the instance of WILLIAM BALVAIRD tenant in Huntingtower, near Perth, with concourse of his Majesty's Advocate, against James Buist baker in Perth and his creditors, Lord Justice-clerk, Ordinary, by an interlocutor dated the 22d day of December current, named Lord Ankerville, Ordinary, of course to rank the creditors, and assigned Tuesday the 25th day of January next, for the first term, to the whole creditors to produce all their claims, rights and diligences competent to them respectively against the bankrupt or his estate; and ordained notice thereof to be inserted in the Caledonian Mercury and Edinburgh Evening Courant, once every week for three weeks successively, that it might come to the knowledge of all concerned.

O. M. K. Clerk.

NOTICE

To the Creditors of ALEXANDER FRASER Merchant, in Forres.

THAT upon the application of the said Alexander Fraser, and William Reid, one of his Creditors, the Lord Ankerville Ordinary officiating on the bills, did, upon the 28th current, sequestrate the whole real and personal estate of the said Alexander Fraser, wherever situated within the jurisdiction of the Court; and appointed his Creditors to meet at Forres, within the house of John Mitchell, vintner there, upon Friday the 14th January next, at 10 o'clock forenoon, for the purpose of naming a factor upon the sequestrated estate, in terms of the statute: Of which, all concerned are desired to take notice. ALEXANDER FRASER.

To be LET for such a number of years after next Whitsunday, as shall be agreed on,

THE Farms of HATTONKNOW, with the UPPER and NETHER MAINS of DARNHALL, all lying in the parish of Eddleston, and county of Peebles.

Persons wishing to take the same, may apply to Mr Gideon Needham at Darnhall, (factor on the said farms) who will inform as to further particulars, and to whom offers may be given in, betwixt and the middle of March next.

For the certain effect of Mr HAYMAN's MAREDANT'S DROPS, (late Surgeon Norton's, to whom he was seven years chief assistant) see the following recent certificate of a Gentleman whose credibility is alone sufficient to repel all that envy can suggest to his prejudice.

TO THE PUBLIC.

I HEREBY certify that my rest was many years interrupted by an ichorous Scorbutic humour in the blood, which at length settled in my arms, hands, and fingers, the discharge from which was extremely corrosive and profuse; I several seasons, tried the salt water at Scarborough, without the least relief; nor were the prescriptions of my physician more efficacious, till he himself advised me to the use of Mr Hayman's Maredant's Drops, which, by three months perseverance, made me perfectly whole. Having now enjoyed a comfortable state of health near two years, the time since I discontinued this Medicine, I cannot, in humanity to the afflicted, withhold its publication.

WILLIAM COOAN.

Tallow Chandlers Hall, London,
Sept. 29, 1784.

N. B. Mr Hayman's house is in Queen's street, Golden Square, where he may be consulted gratis, and where these Drops, wrapped in directions SIGNED BY HIMSELF, are sold at 5 s. 5 d. per bottle, duty included; or they may be had at the following places, viz.

Messr. HUSBAND, ELDER, and Co. (where many certificates of cures may be referred to) continue SOLE Agents for vending these esteemed Drops in Edinburgh.

They may also be had of Mr Angus M'Donald, jeweller, Glasgow; Mr A. Wylie, druggist, Dumfries; Mr Garden, druggist, Aberdeen; Mr Phorson, Berwick; Mr Jollie, Carlisle; Miss Furnas, Wigtown; Mr Graham, Alnwick; and of Mr Humble or Mr Hodgson, Newcastle.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,

THE MARY,

JOHN HAY Master,

Now taking in goods in Leith harbour, and will sail 11th January 1785.

This ship was built on purpose for the trade; is neatly fitted up for passengers, and good usage may be depended on.

The Master to be spoke with at the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, or at Mrs Hay's, foot of Queen-street, Leith.

EXCISE OFFICE, EDIN. Dec. 24. 1784.

By Order of the Honourable

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EXCISE.

THERE will be expoſed to ſale, by public auction, in the Hall of the Exciſe Office, Edinburgh, on Friday the 31ſt day of December inſtant, at twelve o'clock noon,

Several Parcels of Green and Black Tea, Aquavitæ, Foreign Brandy, Geneva, Spruce Beer, Starch, Printed Paper, Candles, Materials and Utenſils for making Candles, and the Materials of ſeveral Small Stills and Utenſils for Diſtillation, lately condemned before his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace.

The goods and conditions of ſale to be ſeen in the Exciſe Ware-houſes at Edinburgh and Leith, on the day preceding, and morning of the day of ſale.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, in the Royal Exchange Coffee-houſe, on Monday the 24th of January next, at five o'clock afternoon,

A LODGING in the firſt turnpike and third

ſtorey of Craig's Cloſe, conſiſting of five fire-rooms, a kitchen, and two bed-cloſets, both with fire-places on the principal ſtorey. And in the back part of the lodging, a ſmall bed-room and large garrets, with accommodation for ſervants, beſides a large cellar in the cloſe.

This Lodging is ſituated immediately to the eaſt of the Royal Exchange and fronts the High Street on the ſouth, and from the north commands an agreeable and extenſive view of the Firth. The Lodging is poſſeſſed by Mr Macleod advocate.

ALSO, another LODGING, likewiſe fronting the ſtreet, poſſeſſed by Mr Peaſton of Soutra, being the fifth and ſixth ſtories in the ſame ſtair, conſiſting of five rooms, two cloſets, one of which has a bed-cloſet, with a fire-place, beſides a kitchen, pantry, larder, with a large cellar in the cloſe. Both lodgings may be ſeen on Monday and Friday every week between the hours of one and three afternoon.

For further particulars, apply to James Sommers writer in Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Friday the 28th of January next, between the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The HOUSE in North St David's Street,

New Town, preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Leſlie, conſiſting of a kitchen-floor, dining-room floor, drawing-room floor, bed-room ſtorey, and garrets, with water-pipe and cellars in front, back area, and many other conveniencies, all in good order, clean and free of ſmoke.

The purchaſer to enter at Whitſunday 1785.

The houſe may be ſeen every Wedneſday and Friday, between the hours of twelve and three.

The articles of roup to be ſeen in the hands of Francis and John Anderſon writers to the ſignet.

HOUSES in Canongate head to be SOLD,

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 19th day of January next, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The following SUBJECTS, lying in Canongate head, which belonged to the deceaſed George Spankie, taylor and habit maker in Edinburgh, viz.

The eaſter half of the firſt flat or ſtory of Inglis's land, entering from the Scale-ſtairs, a little to the weſtward of the entry to the Exciſe Office, conſiſting of four Rooms, a Kitchen, and other conveniencies, with a Garret and Cellar, which will either be ſold ſeparately or with the houſe.

Alſo, The whole fifth flat or ſtory of the ſame land laid out in two houſes, the one conſiſting of four rooms and a kitchen, and the other of three rooms and a kitchen. Theſe two houſes will be either ſold ſeparately, or together as purchaſers incline.

The ſubjects are inſured in the Edinburgh Friendly Inſurance Office upon the old plan.—The premium on the firſt mentioned ſubject is paid up. A ſmall balance on that of the ſecond remains unpaid.

The preſent tenants will ſhow the houſes at any time betwixt and the day of ſale.

For further particulars, application may be made to James Jollie, writer to the ſignet, who will ſhow the progreſs of writs, which are clear, and give every neceſſary information.

HOUSE.

THERE is to be expoſed to ſale by voluntary roup within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 24th January next, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

That DWELLING HOUSE or LODGING on the weſt ſide of Milne's Square, being the firſt ſtorey above the ground flat or ſhops, entering by the Scale Stairs on the weſt ſide of the Square; conſiſting of a dining-room, drawing-room, five bed-rooms, kitchen, larder, ſtore-room, cellar, and pertinents; preſently poſſeſſed by Miſs Hay the proprietor. The premiſſes are inſured in the Edinburgh Friendly Inſurance at 3500 l. Scots, and the premium paid up. The houſe to be ſeen Tueſdays, Thurſdays, and Saturdays, betwixt 12 forenoon and 2 afternnoon.

For particulars apply to John Callender, Depute Clerk of Seſſion.

HOUSES FOR SALE

In the Broad Wynd, Leith.

TO be Sold by private Bargain, That TENEMENT of LAND on the North ſide of the Broad Wynd, Leith, lately built by the deceaſed Ebenezer Hanna, ſhipmaſter in Leith, called HANNA'S LAND, conſiſting of three ſtories, with a large ſhop on the ground floor, and a cellar under ſaid ſhop.

Each flat of this tenement conſiſts of two rooms and kitchen, with coal cellars and other conveniences, all fitted up in the neateſt manner; they ſet remarkably well, and are preſently poſſeſſed by good tenants, at 25 l. 14 s. Sterling of yearly rent.

The progreſs of writs, which is complete and clear, and the rental, are to be ſeen in the hands of Edward Bruce clerk to the ſignet, who will inform as to other particulars.

Houſe and Parks in Eaſt Lothian to LET.

TO be LET and entered to immediately, or at Whitſunday next, the Houſe of HERDMANSTON, with the offices, pigeon-houſe, gardens, and parks, lying in the pariſh of Salton, and county of Eaſt-Lothian. The premiſſes are pleaſantly ſituated on the banks of the river Tyne, and lie within three miles of the town of Haddington, and fourteen of Edinburgh.

There is marle on the grounds, which may be wrought to great advantage, and which will be let either by itſelf, or along with the other ſubjects.

The grounds will be ſhown by James Finlayſon at Herdmanſton-mill, and any perſon who inclines to take the premiſſes, may apply to James Walker, writer to the ſignet.

AYRSHIRE.

THE Eſtate of CAIRNHILL, lying in the pariſhes of Craigie and Mauchline, in the ſhire of Ayr, is to be SOLD. It conſiſts of between fourteen and fifteen hundred rich arable acres, and is ſituated in a very pleaſant country, about twelve miles from Ayr, and four from Kilmarnock. The rent is now 1100 l. yearly, and will increaſe conſiderably, as ſome old leaſes expire.

The lands are very improveable, from the great quantity of limeſtone in almoſt every farm, which can be raiſed at a very trifling expence. There is alſo coal in the eſtate. Moſt of the farm-houſes are new, and in good condition; and the proprietor has already been at conſiderable expence in incloſing and ſubdividing the greateſt part of the farms. The lands have alſo the advantage of two principal high roads paſſing through them; one, the great road from Dumfries to Glaſgow, by the way of Kilmarnock; the other, that from Ayr to Edinburgh, by the way of Hamilton; beſides ſmaller roads of great advantage to the whole.

There is an old manſion-houſe on the eſtate, which may be made very commodious at a ſmall expence. It is ſurrounded by a great number of old trees; and there are natural woods which yield a conſiderable annual income; and the parks and gardens, conſiſting of about one hundred and thirty acres, are remarkably well fenced.

Any perſon inclining to make a private bargain, may apply to the proprietor at Cairnhill, or to James Ferrier writer to the ſignet, Edinburgh.

N. B. The eſtate holds partly of the Crown, and partly of a ſubject ſuperior.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 25th of January 1785, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The remaining Part of the Lands and Eſtate

which belonged to WILLIAM MACFARLANE of Macfarlane, and JOHN MACFARLANE his eldeſt ſon, in the following lots, viz.

LOT I.—The Lands of BURNHOUSES, lying in the pariſh of Eccles and ſhire of Berwick.

The free proven rental of theſe lands, after all deductions, is 68l. 5s.

The proven value of this lot, at twenty-two years purchaſe of the free rent, is 1501 l. 10 s. Which is to be the upſet price.

The lands are held of a ſubject ſuperior.

LOT II.—The Lands of BAITLAWS and HUNTFIELD, lying in the pariſh of Libberton and ſhire of Lanark.

The free proven rental of theſe lands, after deducing one-fifth of the rent of Baitlaws, to the teinds of which there is no right, amounts to 71 l. 3 s. 10 d. 8-12ths.

The proven value of the lands, at twenty-two years purchaſe of free rent, is L. 1566 5 6 8-12ths

The free teind of Baitlaws is 7 l. 14 s. 8 d. which at the proven value of five years purchaſe, is 38 13 4

Upſet price of LOT II. L. 1604 18 10 8-12ths

The lands are held of a ſubject ſuperior.

There is a good manſion-houſe, with commodious office-houſes upon the lands of Huntfield.

The articles of ſale and title-deeds of the different lands may be ſeen at the office of Mr Bruce, depute-clerk of Seſſion. Copies of the proven rental may be got from Francis and John Anderſons, writers to the Signet; to whom, or to William Macewan writer in Edinburgh, perſons wiſhing to be informed of further particulars may apply.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

Judicial Sale of the Eſtate of CATHLAW.

TO be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 25th January 1785, between the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of CATHLAW, lying within the pariſh of Torphichen, and ſhire of Linlithgow.

The proven yearly rent of theſe Lands is L. 161 19 0

And deducting the feu and teind-duty, miniſter's ſtipend, and ſchoolmaſter's ſalary, which amount to - - 2 6 10 4-12ths

There remains of free rent, L. 159 12 1 8-12ths

Which valued at 22 years purchaſe, being held of a ſubject ſuperior, amounts to - - L. 3511 7 0 8-12ths

Which is to be the upſet price of theſe lands.

There is a commodious manſion-houſe upon the eſtate, with good office-houſes, all in good repair.

The lands are moſtly incloſed with thriving hedges, and ſtripes of planting. There are beſides ſeveral other thriving plantations upon the eſtate.

The title-deeds, and articles and conditions of ſale, may be ſeen in the hands of Mr John Callander, depute-clerk of Seſſion; and further information will be got by applying to Francis and John Anderſon, writers to the ſignet.

LANDS IN AYRSHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary ſale, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe of Edinburgh, upon the 18th January 1785, at ſix o'clock in the evening,

The LANDS and ESTATE of SMEITHSTON and others, lying in the pariſh of Tarbolton and ſhire of Ayr. The groſs rent paid out of the eſtate at preſent is 383 l. 18 s. 3 d. 6-12ths Sterling, out of which there is paid to the miniſter of Tarbolton, who obtained decreet of augmentation, 2d July 1783, in all 22 l. 13 s. 7 d. 7-12ths Sterling, and 10 bolls two firlots bear, and 4 bolls 1 firlot meal; but as two of the principal farms are let in graſs for three years, from Martinmas 1783, with an allowance to plough only a few acres, the rent of theſe farms may be conſiderably raiſed, by letting leaſes for a longer term. The eſtate contains about 900 acres Scots meaſure, including about 92 acres of wood, which may be cut in the courſe of ten years; and there is a good garden well ſtocked with nurſery of young trees for planting, and a houſe poſſeſſed by the gardener, none of which are included in the rental.

The eſtate lies between the thriving villages of Mauchline and Tarbolton, and within a few miles of the towns of Ayr and Kilmarnock, to all of which there are good roads. The ſituation of the eſtate is pleaſant, part of it being bounded by the water of Ayr. It is at no great diſtance from coal and limeſtone, which can be brought at a ſmall expence, as the great road from Cumnock to Ayr by Mauchline goes through part of the eſtate. The lands are holden blench of the Prince, and entitle the proprietor to two freehold qualifications. The tenants pay one half of the ceſs or land-tax, the other half thereof, and the miniſter's ſtipend are paid by the proprietor.

John Pollock at Woodſide will ſhow the grounds; and for further particulars, apply to John Ruſſel clerk to the ſignet in Edinburgh, who has the title-deeds and articles of ſale.

SALE OF LANDS

IN THE COUNTIES OF WIGTON AND KIRKCUDBRIGHT.

TO be SOLD by voluntary roup, within the Britiſh Coffeehouſe Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 2d day of February next, betwixt four and five afternoon,

The following Lands in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, viz.

PARCEL I. The Lands of CARIOCH, CRAIGLOUR, and BLACKMARK, lying in the pariſh of Dalvey, at preſent ſet in leaſe for 5 years from Whitſunday laſt at the rent of 100 l. Sterling.

II. The Lands of FINGLAND in the ſame pariſh, preſently ſet in leaſe for 18 years, to run from Whitſunday laſt, at the rent of 70 l.

Theſe two parcels hold blench of the Crown, and are valued in the ceſs books at 400 l. Scots.

III. The Lands of CORNHARROW and CARLAE in the ſame pariſh, at preſent ſet in leaſe for 18 years from Whitſunday laſt, at the rent of 45 l. Theſe lands hold blench of the Crown, and are valued in the ceſs books at 150 l.

ALSO

To be SOLD by public roup upon Tueſday the 4th day of January next, within the houſe of James M'Comb, vintner in Wigton, at 4 o'clock afternoon,

The following Lands in the Shire of Wigton, viz.

PARCEL I. The Lands of ALTIERY in the pariſh of Mochrum, at preſent under leaſe, which expires at Whitſunday 1786, at the rent of 43 l. Sterling. Theſe lands hold blench of the Crown, and are valued at 95 l. Scots.

II. The Lands of CULMALZIE and KIRRIEBRYNE, in the pariſh of Kirkinner. The preſent rent whereof is 115 l. Sterling, by two leaſes, which expire in 1784 and 1786. Theſe lands hold few of the Crown for payment of 1 l. 4 s. 6 d. Sterling yearly, and are rated in the ceſs books at 153 l. 18 s. 8 d. Scots. They are compleatly incloſed and ſubdivided, and there are houſes on the lands for two ſeparate farms, in good order.

III. The Lands of AIRLIES, lying contiguous to Culmalzie, in the ſame pariſh, under leaſe to run for one and a half years, from Whitſunday 1784 at the rent of 40 l. Sterling; holden feu of the Crown for payment of 11 s. 3 d. 8-12ths Sterling yearly; and are are rated at 76 l. 16 s. Scots.

The whole of the above lands are very improveable; Altiery lies adjacent to the Bay of Luce, where lime and ſhells may be had at an eaſy rate; Culmalzie and Kirriebryne lie near the burgh of Wigton and the harbour of Bladenoch, where lime and ſhells may alſo be eaſily had. There has been conſiderable advance of rent offered for theſe lands.

For further particulars apply to Archibald Tod writer to the Signet, who will ſhow the title deeds, current leaſes, &c. and to whom any perſon inclining to make a private offer may apply. Copies of the rentals &c. are alſo lodged with William M'Cormack, writer in Wigton.

FOR PHILADELPHIA,

THE SHIP ALEXANDER

ALEXANDER RITCHIE Maſter,

Now lying at Greenock, ready to receive goo on board, and will ſail about the 21ſt of F bruary next.

N. B. This ſhip is an exceeding good veſſe double decked, built of live oak and cedar, ſai remarkably faſt, and has excellent accommo dation for paſſengers.

For freight or paſſage apply to William Donald merchant in Glaſgo or John Stewart merchant in Greenock.

Greenock, December 22. 1784.

Judicial Sale—By Adjournment.

Upſet price ſtill further Reduced.

TO be SOLD by authority of the Court of Seſſion, upon the 25th da of January 1785, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon, with the Parliament houſe,

The remaining LOT of the BARONY of PITTENCRIEFFE an others, conſiſting of the whole Coallieries and Ironſtone under the contiguous lands of Luſcar, Clune, and Roſebank; And alſo, the Coals unde the adjoining lands of Weſter Baldridge, and under about 93 acres of th lands of Blackburn of Pittencrieffe, (lately ſold to Mr Hogg) with al privileges thereto belonging; but with ſundry exceptions and reſtrictions as are all more particularly deſcribed in former advertiſements, and in the articles of ſale; together with a feu of the farm of Weſter Roſyth, and harbour of Brucehaven: And alſo the tacks of the lands of Windylaw and miniſter of Inverkeithing's glebe during his incumbency, which are adjoining to Weſter Roſyth.

The proven value of this lot, and at which it was formerly expoſed, in cluding the coals in other parts of the lands of Pittencrieffe, which were lately valued and ſold at 600 l. was L. 6522 18 10

And is now to be ſet up without theſe coals, ſold with Pittencrieffe, at the reduced price of 4300 0 0

Theſe coallieries are known to contain inexhauſtible quantities of different kinds of coal of the beſt qualities.—They can be wrought for the moſt part by a level, which has been carried up at a very great expence, and can have a convenient waggon way made for tranſporting them to ſea.—There is 18 feet water at ordinary ſpring tides in the harbour of Brucehaven, and the depth may be increaſed by extending the pier, which has ſtone quarries juſt by it.

The title-deeds, with the articles and conditions of ſale, will be ſeen in the hands of Meſſ. John Callander, depute-clerk of ſeſſion, and William Anderſon, clerk to the ſignet; and Adam Paterſon, at Pittencrieffe, will ſhow the premiſſes.

LANDS in the County of Perth.

TO BE SOLD—BY ADJOURNMENT.

WILL be expoſed to SALE by public roup, under authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 25th day of January 1785, betwixt the hours of four and eight in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills, at a reduced price,

The LANDS and ESTATE of KILGRASTOWN, which pertained to the deceaſed John Craigie of Kilgraſtown, lying in the pariſhes of Dumbarnie, Dron, and Abernethy, and ſhire of Perth.

Theſe lands conſiſt of 1754 acres 1 rood 32 falls, all conveniently ſituated, in a fine rich country, within a few miles of the town of Perth.—The north part of the eſtate is moſt pleaſantly bounded by the river of Earn, and a great part of it has been beautifully laid out in different incloſures, and in a variety of valuable woods and plantations, which are all in a very thriving condition. The manſion-houſe, with a very neat ſet of office-houſes, lately built upon the premiſſes, lie about a quarter of a mile weſt from the Bridge of Earn.

The yearly proven rent of the eſtate, after deduction of the feu-duties, public burdens, and the valued teind of ſuch parts of the eſtate as lie in the pariſhes of Dron and Dumbarnie, out of which laſt the ſtipends to the miniſters of Dron and Dumbarnie fall to be paid, is 1275 l. 14 s. 8 d. 11-12ths; and the whole lands, excluſive of thoſe that hold of ſubject ſtand rated in the ceſs books at about 2000 l. Scots. The proof of the rent was led in January 1781, ſince which the rent has increaſed a good deal, and in letting the lands, the greateſt attention has all along been been paid to the intereſt of whoever ſhall become purchaſers.

If this eſtate does not ſell in whole, it will be expoſed in the following Lots, viz.

LOT I. The Lands of KILGRASTOWN, whereon the Manſion-houſe and offices ſtand, and part of the Lands of KINTULLO, lying within the pariſh of Dumbarnie, and upon the weſt ſide of the turnpike road leading from Perth to Kinroſs, pleaſantly ſituated along the eaſt ſide of the water of Earn, immediately to the weſt of the Bridge of Earn; and are all incloſed and ſubdivided. The tenants houſes are in good order, the ſoil is of a rich quality, and the grounds are in excellent good condition. This part of the eſtate conſiſts of 574 acres, 3 roods 17 falls, part whereof is agreeably laid out in woods and plantations which are in a healthy and thriving condition.

The free rent of theſe lands, after deducing public burdens, is 663 l. 10 s. 8 d. 8-12ths.

LOT II. That Part of the Lands of KINTULLO, BROOMSTON, CLAYTON, and others, with the Salmon Fiſhing upon the water of Earn, lying in the pariſh of Dumbarnie, and upon the eaſt ſide of the turnpike-road leading from Perth to Kinroſs. Theſe lands conſiſt of 35 acres, 2 roods, 34 falls, and lie pleaſantly along the ſouth ſide of the water of Earn, immediately to the eaſt of the Bridge of Earn, and are all incloſed and ſubdivided. The tenants houſes are all in good condition; and the ſoil is of a rich quality. Part of theſe lands is alſo beautifully laid out in woods, and plantations, which are in a very thriving condition.

The free rent of this lot, after deducing public burdens is 336 l. 11 d. 10-12ths.

LOT III. The Lands of KIRKPOTTEE, MEIKLEFILDIE, and CLOCHRIDGESTONE, lying contiguous, within the pariſh of Dron and conſiſting of 676 acres, 1 rood, 36 falls.—264 acres, 3 roods, 9 falls whereof, have been planted in the view of building a manſion-houſe upon this part of the eſtate. Theſe plantations are in high order.

The free rent of this lot, after deducing public burdens, is 208 l. 15 s. 5 d. 11-12ths.

LOT IV. The Lands of HALTOWN with the fiſhing of Cordon upon the water of Earn, lying within the pariſh of Abernethy, and in the neighbourhood of the lands of Kirkpottie, &c. above-mentioned. The lot conſiſts of 61 acres, 2 roods, 2 falls, and holds of a ſubject ſuperior.

The free rent, after deducing public burdens, is 61 l. 19 s. 7 d.

Theſe two lots laſt mentioned are ſituated within four miles of the town of Perth, and two miles of the bridge of Earn.

The upſet price of theſe lands, both in whole, and in lots, will be mentioned in a future advertiſement. Intending purchaſers will in the mean time pleaſe be informed, That at a general meeting of Mr Craigie's Creditors, held here on the 23d current, it was agreed upon, that the lands ſhould be expoſed at twenty-two years purchaſe, excluſive of the value of the woods; and directed the proper application to be made to the Court of Seſſion, for liberty to expoſe the lands at that rate. This application will accordingly be made how ſoon the Court meets after the Chriſtmas holidays; it is therefore expected theſe lands will be expoſed at 22 years purchaſe.

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John Rutherford jun. writer in Perth, the preſent factor, will alſo ſhow rentals of the eſtate, and William Chalmers at Kilgraſton, will ſhow the grounds.

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